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Maury Mecca
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*Don't forget what a good time we had
looking at your Maury Mecca. It's these fun things
that go along with being a student. We hope you
enjoyed the Maury Mecca. We hope you
enjoyed the Maury Mecca. We hope you
enjoyed the Maury Mecca.*



We, the annual staff of Maury High School, do hereby dedicate this, The MAURY MECCA, to the late Mr. C. L. Hardy. Mr. Hardy was a man who was loved and admired by everyone. Without his efforts our school could never have become what it is today. We all remember Mr. Hardy for his outstanding work, in building up our school library and the continuation of his aid. He not only did a great deal for our library, but he aided the leaders of the school in every way possible. Mr. Hardy was proud of the school, and everyone connected with the school is truly proud of him. Through his devotion to the school everyone has come to love and admire him, even though we never knew him personally.

Buildings

HOME EC - COMMERCE



GYMNASIUM



AGRICULTURE



W. H. HOWELL
Agriculture



JUNE CARR
Home Economics



BRYANT TRIPP
Mathematics



LOUISE MAY
Commercial



JUANITA OLIVE
English

*rest of
book -
promissed*



D. G. WHITFORD
Principal



MARTHA MOYE
French and Seventh Grade

*rest of
book -
promissed*



BILLY SMITH
Coach



CARL SMITH
Eighth Grade



MRS. LIVERMAN
Eighth Grade



HELEN EDWARDS
Seventh Grade



MRS. WORTHINGTON
Sixth Grade



MRS. PHILLIPS
Fifth Grade



MRS. DENNIS
Second and Third Grades



MRS. MURPHREY
First Grade

*Reading has been a pleasure knowing
you these two years. Best of
luck to a very nice girl. Smith*



MRS. TRIPP
First Grade



MRS. SMITH
Fifth and Sixth



MRS. HILL
Third Grade



MRS. FORREST
Second Grade



MRS. HAGAN
Music



Senior Class Officers

President -	-HARRY HUGHES
Vice President -	-WILLIS MEADOWS
Secretary -	-NOLAH ANN MURPHREY
Treasurer -	-HELEN NETHERCUTT
Reporter -	-ALICE FAYE MOYE

STEVE BOWEN

"Bud"

FFA 9 and 10; Reporter FFA;
Bus Driver 11, 12; Annual Staff
11, 12; Junior, Senior Play;
Beta Club 10, 11, 12; Class
President 10th.



CHARLES BALDREE

"Baldie"

FFA 9 and 10; Bus Driver 12.



CARSON BEAMAN

"Red"

Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; FFA
9, 10, 11, 12; Bus Driver 11
and 12; Athletic Assn. 11 and
12; Junior Play; Watch Dog
FFA 2; Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12.



EUGENE CASH

"Pretty Boy"

Basketball 9, 11, 12; FFA 9 and
12.



KERMIT BUNN

"Pee Wee"

FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Bus Driver 12.



MAX BUTTS

"Folley"

Basketball 10, 11, 12; FFA 9, 10,
11, 12; Junior, Senior Play.





JEAN DAVIS

"Knows-all"

FHA 9, 10, 11, 12; Junior and Senior Play; Beta Club 10, 11, 12; Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12.

DURWOOD GIBSON
"Droopy"
FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Reporter 11; Senior Play.



DAVID HORNE
"Dragnet"
FFA 9 and 10; Beta Club 10, 11, 12; Senior Play.



HARRY HUGHES
"Tracy"

Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Baseball 9; Bus Driver 11, 12; FFA 9, 10, 11, 12, Vice President 11, President 12; Class Vice President 11, President 12; Athletic Association 11, 12, President 11.



YVONNE HUMPHREY
"Quiet Type"



GORDAN HAGAN
"Hoggie"

Class President 11; FFA 9 and 12.



BOBBY MEEKS

"Webster"

FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Glee Club
12; Baseball 11; Basketball 9
and 12.



E. L. JOYNER

"Smiley"

FFA 9.



ANNIE RUTH McKEEL

"Ann"



JAMES EARL JONES

"Fingers"

FFA 9, 10, 11, 12.



BOBBY McLAWHORN

"Chubby"

FFA 9, 10, 11, 12; Baseball 9,
10, 11, 12.



ALICE FAYE MOYE
"Speedy"

FHA 9, 10, 11, 12; Senior Play;
Beta Club 10, 11, 12; Class
Treasurer 11; Class Reporter
12; Annual Staff 11, 12; Glee
Club 9, 10, 11, 12; 4-H Club
9, 10, 11, 12, Vice President
12; Paper Staff 12; Piano
Music 9.

NOLAH ANN MURPHREY
"Granny"
Basketball 10, 11; Glee Club
9, 10, 11, 12; Secretary Class
12; Junior Play; Athletic
Association 11; 4-H Club 9,
10, 11, 12.



HELEN NETHERCUTT

"Priss"

Cheerleader 9, 10, 11, 12;
Chief 11, 12; FHA 9, 10, 12;
Treasurer Class 12; Junior
and Senior Play.



WILLIS MEADOWS

"Doc"

Best All-Around Student 11;
FFA 9, 10, 12, Secretary 10;
Beta Club 10, 11, 12, Presi-
dent 12; Public Speaking 10;
Bus Driver 11, 12; Vice Pres-
ident Senior Class; Junior
and Senior Play; Annual Staff
11, 12; Paper Staff 12.

GAYNELLE MURPHY

"Toenail"

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; FHA
9, 10, 11, 12; Class Secretary
11; Paper Staff 12; Junior
and Senior Play.





BETSY FAYE NETHERCUTT
"Shorty"
Cheerleader 12; Basketball
10, 11; FHA 9, 10, 11, 12,
President 12; Glee Club 9, 10,
11, 12.



MARY FRANCES NORVILLE
"Honeycutt"
Basketball 10, 11, 12; Athletic
Association 11, 12; FHA 11.



BOBBY SKINNER
"Skin Flint"
Bus Driver 11, 12; FFA 9, 10,
11, 12.



BILLY TURNAGE
"Percy"
Basketball 12; Bus Driver 10,
11, 12; FFA 9, 10, 11, 12.



HATTIE WOOD
"Pat"
Senior Queen; FHA 9, 10, 11.



Most Intelligent

SHELBY JEAN D AVIS
WILLIS MEADOWS

Best Looking
HELEN NETHERCUTT
BILLY TURNAGE



Mr. and Miss Senior

PAT WOOD
CARSON BEAMAN

Wittiest

ALICE FAYE MOYE
HARRY HUGHES



Best Personality



ANNIE RUTH McKEEL
DAVID HORNE

Most Likely to Succeed



GAYNELLE MURPHEY
HARRY HUGHES

MARY FRANCES NORVILLE



CARSON BEAMAN

NOLAH ANN MURPHEY

Babies

DURWOOD GIBSON





Best Dressed

CARSON BEAMAN
GAYNELLE MURPHEY



Most Popular
HATTIE WOOD
HARRY HUGHES



Friendliest

MAX BUTTS
BETSY NETHERCUTT



Most Courteous

YVONNE HUMPHREY
DAVID HORNE



Merrill

THE WOODBURY STREET

ALBANY, N.Y.

Class History of 1955

About twelve years ago we, who are now seniors, stood around eagerly waiting for our first school bell to ring. Little did our tiny minds realize then the hard work, happiness and sorrow, and the many good times that awaited us in the next twelve years to come; but up through the grades we have come.

In the 5th grade we won a picture of BOY BLUE for the highest percentage of parents attending the P.T.A. We were very proud of this.

When we entered the sixth grade Mrs. Carson Edwards had our whole class of fifty-six students to teach. Mr. Williford thought this was a little too much for one person so he gave the girls a privilege never before given to any grammar grade class. The high school teachers taught us and we changed classes along with the high school. We thought this was something extra so it turned out to be a very enjoyable year.

At the end of the eighth grade we received our eighth grade certificates.

While looking through the first annual published at Maury, I came to the page of Freshmen. Our faces all look so different now. We looked almost like babies then. A lot of things have happened since our Freshman year. In August 1951 when we entered high school, Mr. Howell was homeroom teacher for the boys and Miss Lane was homeroom teacher for the girls. As "silly Freshmen" our main interest was "silly giggles."

As Sophomores our whole class was together, although some had dropped out. We enjoyed having Mr. Little as our homeroom teacher.

As Juniors we realized that we were about to finish school. The interest, it seemed, in our school annual had been completely dropped. Since we were Juniors, of course, we were very interested in keeping it going so, through much promising, we got Mr. Whitford's permission to carry it out. We helped make the annual a success. We had the privilege of going to college day at Farmville and Snow Hill, which was very educational.

We presented our Junior play YOUNG DOCTOR YOUNG in March. Everyone said that it was one of the best they had ever seen. Mrs. C. T. May and Mr. Carl Smith were our directors. On April 8th we had a party at the skating rink in Walstonburg. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Our trip to Washington was the high-light in our Junior year. We visited many interesting and educational things. Everyone has a wonderful time, including Mrs. Olive our chaperone.

Next was our Junior-Senior Banquet; we had a gypsy camp for our theme. The tenth grade girls made wonderful waitresses dressed as gypsies. A wonderful meal of turkey was served. Afterwards Mr. Sam Bundy made a very good speech. After the speech all of us went to the American Legion Building at Snow Hill for a party. The entire banquet was a great success. We think that Mrs. Paul Thompson, our Junior sponsor, deserves credit.

On September 2, 1954, we entered school as proud Seniors. We had the feeling that we had accomplished something. Mr. Whitford gave the seniors the responsibility of getting ads for the annual. We got quite a few.

On December 2, our class presented the Senior play MOONSHINE AND HONEYSUCKLY. It was a western comedy and everyone seemed to enjoy it. Mrs. Olive was our director.

On December 17 we were given the privilege of going to college day at Snow Hill again.

On December 20, we had a Christmas party in Alice Faye's garage. It was almost perfect. Everyone attended including Mrs. Olive, our chaperone.

As the rest of the year passes I sincerely hope everyone will have as good a time as we have had over the years passed that we have had together.

Historian - Nolah Murphrey

We, the Senior Class of nineteen hundred and fifty-five, inasmuch as we are together as a class for the last time, will the following:

To Mr. Whitford we will our picture, BLUE BOY to be hung in his office as an everlasting remembrance of the 1955 Senior Class.

We leave Mrs. Olive a hope that her next Senior Class will not give her as much trouble with library books as we did.

Carson Beaman leaves William Earl Stocks a ticket stub from a round trip to New York to keep as a souvenir.

Betsy Faye Nethercutt wills her cheerleader suit to Carolyn Nethercutt.

Bobby McLawhorn wills his talkative ways to Bobby Baldree.

Nolah Ann Murphrey wills her Shorthand ability to Eloise May.

Steve Bowen wills 50 of his 225 pounds to Harrison Wood and James Ray Bowen to be divided equally.

Alice Faye Moye wills her pleasing personality to Lois Hughes.

Charles Baldree wills his school bus to Fred Murphrey.

Pat Wood leaves her quiet ways to Carol Walston.

David Horne wills his bashful ways to Artie Shields.

Willis Meadows wills his French ability to Reid Pate.

Yvonne Humphrey wills just a few inches of her height to Joyce Beaman.

Durwood Gibson wills his babyish ways to Billy Carraway.

E. L. Joyner wills a few of his gray hairs to Lenzie Bunn.

Annie Ruth McKeel wills her shyness to Carol Faulkner.

Gaynelle wills a few of her boy friends to Vernetta Albritton.

Bobby Neeks leaves his position with Belk-Tyler to Zeb Johnson.

Max Butts leaves his ability to act in a play to Roy Carraway.

Mary Frances Norville wills her athletic ability to Janice Mooring.

Jean Davis wills her good grades to Sally Wade.

James Jones wills a bottle of window cleaner to F. J. Faulkner.

Bobby Skinner wills his friendliness to Curtis Eakes.

Billy Turnage wills his five years in high school to Douglas Gibson.

Kermit Bunn wills his tallness to Billy May, hoping he'll grow.

Harry Hughes wills his "corny" jokes to Kenneth Johnson.

Eugene Cash wills his place on the first string on the ball team to Royce Horne.

Gordon Hagan wills his talents to Lane Faulkner.

Helen Nethercutt wills her jewelry to Peggy Jane Mozingso.

By - David Horne

Heavenly Reminders

Softly, sweetly, and tenderly the music the Angels are singing filters through clouds drenched in blue, pink, purple, and white. The music turns one's thoughts to the days when he was a senior at Maury School--that's the way it is here in Heaven.

Let's see--It's been three hundred years since we passed our senior classmates on the hall to smile and say a quick hello. Each of us was determined to leave a mark of importance in the world--A mark that would be long remembered. A mark that would shine as a bright star in the crown the Senior Class of 1955 wore when they began to take forth everything they had on the journey through life.

I can say with pride the Senior class of 1955 of Maury School really did succeed. I have a special file on the people who arrived here in Heaven. Upon my arrival here I became editor of the HEAVENLY DAILY, since I was a big success as wife of the editor of the NEWS AND OBSERVER.

Let's see--Oh yeah! Here's Yvonne Humphrey. After she served as one of the world's most famous nurses she retired and became the mother of three children. Well look here, Carson Beaman became a famous singer with a voice like Eddie Fisher.

Jean Davis was one of the greatest women of Texas society after she became the wife of a famous pilot.

I see here that Alice Faye Moye became one of the movie stars of the time, with Max Butts co-starring in all her pictures.

Contractor Bobby Meeks revolutionized Greene County with his housing project. He didn't finish any too soon, because Billy Turnage and his wife and eight kids were almost homeless. Nolah Ann Murphrey and her husband were in about the same situation, except they had only five children.

Steve Bowen became North Carolina's leading Ford dealer.

Who would have thought Gaynelle Murphy would become Secretary of State with Betsy Faye Nethercutt as her secretary.

Harry Hughes taught at North Carolina State College--the same place Durwood Gibson attended before he became an agriculture teacher in Washington, D.C. where Annie Ruth McKeel was a great singer.

I see here that Sheriff Eugene Cash and his deputy Kermit Bunn have performed their duty expertly in Greene County.

Hattie Wood won the Miss North Carolina contest in 1958.

How about James Jones becoming a rich man and building a new school in Maury.

Mary Frances Norville became a great model as well as a mother.

Gordon Hagan made a great sum on his inventions.

Willis Meadows wrote a great book about the great president, Charles Baldree.

Well, look, David Home became Vice President of the United States.

Bobby McLawhorn became a real lawyer with Judge Bobby Skinner passing sentence on many of his clients.

I can say with pride the Seniors of 1955 were really great. They sometimes stop in to talk with me. It's amusing to watch the people on earth, knowing that you were there in days gone by.

The music the angels are singing floats further out into space. You can still hear the music if you listen.

The singing will soon die away but our memories will never die. All memories of the Seniors of Maury School are pleasant.

Good-by teachers and students of dear Maury. I would like to wish with all sincerity in my heart--and I know I speak for all the seniors of 1955 also--best of luck--lots of success and if it may be possible, may you be even happier than our lives and our work have been here at dear old Maury.

Prophet Helen Nethercutt

Class Motto - "Seek and Ye Shall Find, Knock and It Shall be Opened unto You."

JUNIORS



Vice President
JEAN STANLEY



Secretary
BONNIE CARRAWAY



President

WILLIAM EARL STOCKS



Treasurer
LOIS ANNE HEATH



Reporter
JANICE ANN MOORING



BOBBY BALDREE

JOYCE BEAMAN

JAMES BOWEN



KENNETH BOWEN

BILLY CARRAWAY

GLEND A CASH



F. J. FAULKNER

DOUGLAS GIBSON

LOIS HUGHES



ZEB JOHNSON

BILLY MAY

ELOISE MAY



WILEY MAYO

KAY MOORING

FRED MURPHY



CAROLYN NETHERCUTT

REID PATE

BETTY SUGG



SALLY WADE

HARRISON WOOD

AUDREY WORTHINGTON

Not pictured:
M. H. MOORE



Vice President
ROGER MOZINGO



Secretary
JONNIE HEMBY

SOPHOMORE

President



PEGGY MOZINGO

Treasurer
BOBBY NETHERCUTT



Reporter
ROY CARRAWAY





Mary H. Beaman
 Frank Braxton
 Dennis Bran
 Lenxia Bunn
 Mary Bunn



Glenn Dickens
 Curtis Eakes
 Ruth Faulkner
 Sylvia Faulkner
 Shirley Grizzard



Aruthur Hill
 Kenneth Johnson
 Jerry Jones
 William E. Jones
 Hildia Letchworth



Bobby Lewis
 Mary Linton
 Andrea May
 Faye Meadows
 Tommy Moore



Helen Mozingo
 Addie Murray
 Taylor Netbercutt
 Jimmy Polluck
 Charles Rogers



James Shackford
 Artie Shields
 Robert Shirley
 Doris Smith
 Wesley Smith



Ann Sugg
 Edna Sugg
 Jo Ann Sumrell
 Frank Taylor
 Gray William



Lorraine Vandiford

FRESHMEN



Vice President
KENNETH JONES



Reporter
DORIS MOORING



President
BOBBY NORVILLE



Secretary
REBECCA MURPHREY



Treasurer
LINDA MAY



Vernette Albritton
Phillip Brann
Ethal Cade
Harold Eakes
Mattie Edwards



Carol Faulkner
Lane Faulkner
Royce Horne
Annie Johnson
Billy Jones



Bertha Jones
Lester Letchworth
Evelyn Lovett
Jonas Mayo
Nan Meeks



Picture
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Jean Murphrey
Ray Nethercutt
Doris Nobles
Earl Norris
Sue Sugg



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Charles Polluck
Nelson Tugwell
Peggy Ross
Peggy Rouse
Andrew Humphrey



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Carol Sauls
Linda Stanley
Vance Taylor
Toby Tripp
Donnie Dail



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Lorraine Vandiford
Elaine Wade
Carol Walston
Marilyn Webb
Clarence Allen



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Official

BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM





Office Staff



*Bus Drivers
and Monitors*



Paper Staff

In Loving Memory of



Mary Lou Moye, a Maury High School graduate of 1954, who left our presence to be with the Lord on January 25, 1955.